

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	PETROGIANNIS et al.	Examiner:	William S. Powers
Serial No.:	10/022,559	Group Art Unit:	2134
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Title:	WEB-BASED METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR APPLYING A LEGALLY ENFORCEABLE SIGNATURE ON AN ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT		

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER**  
**TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the rejection of claims 1-12, 14, 17-36, 38, 41-59 and 63-68 of the above-identified application, which have been at least twice rejected, as set forth in the Office Action mailed June 18, 2009.

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Respectfully submitted,

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